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## **Newsletter**

**Friday 23rd September 2022**

Dear Parents and Carers,



## **Macmillan Cancer Support Coffee Morning**

This morning, we were delighted to be able to attend the Macmillan Coffee morning at The Fox and Hounds in Ainthorpe with our year 5 and 6 children. The children were an absolute pleasure to take out and enjoyed drinks, cakes and taking part in the raffle proudly representing Danby School.

## **Great North Run**

Just a reminder that we are collecting any sponsor money and donations from Donna's amazing Great North Run. Thank you.

## **Friends of Danby School (FODS) meeting**

Thank you to those that came to the meeting on Thursday. Further dates for events to follow.

## **Bag2School Collection**

There will be a Bag2School collection on Tuesday 18th October. For our new parents, this is a collection of unwanted items that are then responsibly recycled. Please [click here](#) to read about the charity and also the items that are accepted. The school receives a percentage commission based on the weight of the collection that is paid into the FODS account. All items must be bagged in bin bags and tied securely. Any bags must be left in the school playground by 9.00am the morning of 18th. We are happy to store them in school the day before if you can not drop off by 9am. Many thanks for your support.

## **Secondary School Open Evenings**

For children who are currently in Year 5 & 6 and their parents, there will be the opportunity to have a look around the local secondary schools at their open evenings later this month. These are as follows:

Eskdale Open Evening - Tuesday 27th September - 4.00pm until 6.30pm

Caedmon College Open Evening - Thursday 29th September - 4.30pm until 7.00pm

## **Sporting events**

On Wednesday afternoon, the children from years 1 and 2 travelled to Whitby to take part in a Multi Skills event at Caedmon College together with lots of other children from the local schools. For some of these children it was the first time they had been to such an event and they all enjoyed the experience. Throughout the afternoon they practised ball skills, balancing, jumping and hopping.



Next week, our year 5 / 6 girls are joining together with children from Egton School to take part in the girls football tournament at Eskdale School. On Friday, our junior children are going to Whitby Rugby Club for a Rugby Megafest afternoon.

## **Forest School**

On Thursday afternoon there will be Forest School for the children. Please could all children bring gloves and suitable outdoor clothing.

## **Easy fundraising**

For the benefit of our new parents, we would like to tell you that we are registered with [easyfundraising.org.uk](http://easyfundraising.org.uk) which gives the Friends of Danby School donations if you shop online and sign up to support Danby CE VA Primary School.

It's a really easy way to raise money – you just use the easyfundraising site to shop online with more than 3,300 well known online stores like Amazon, Argos, John Lewis, ASOS, Booking.com, eBay, Boden, and M&S and when you make a purchase, the retailer sends us a free donation, at no extra cost to you.

FoDS would love to raise as much as possible for contributions towards travel costs, swimming lessons, residential trips and many more activities for the children.

Please visit our easyfundraising page at:

[Danby School Easyfundraising](#)

and click 'join us'. Thank you.

## **After School Club**

Our after school club is on Tuesdays from 3.30pm - 4.30pm until October half term. If you would like your child to attend, please could you let us know via email. The activities vary so

your child will have a choice of things to take part in. There will always be multi skills sports option so if your child would like to take part in this, they would need their PE kit that day. There is no charge at present for this after school club.

### **Breakfast Club**

We run a breakfast club at Danby School that is available daily from 8.00am. Bookings are not always necessary but it would be helpful to know in advance if your child will be attending. The cost is £2.50 per child per day including breakfast.

### **Future Dates for your diary**

Forest School, Swimming dates and events will be kept up to date each term in the table below. Please could we ask for all items of clothing to be named in case of any mix ups. PE will continue every Friday afternoon and will take place outside whenever possible. Please could children have suitable outer clothing to keep them warm as the weather gets colder.

Please [click here](#) for the 2022-23 term dates.

<b>Half Term</b>	24/10 - 28/10 Children return on Monday 31st October
<b>Forest School</b>	29/9, 13/10, 10/11, 24/11, 8/12
<b>Swimming</b>	6/10, 20/10, 3/11, 17/11, 1/12, 15/12

Next week I will be at Danby on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and at Egton on Tuesday and Thursday. Have a lovely weekend.



Liz Orland  
Headteacher

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**The information below has not changed but is still relevant.**

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### **Ukraine Resources**

Obviously, the situation in the world has sadly changed over the last week or two. Some resources have been put out to enable school staff and families to support children with questions and discussions which you may find useful [HERE](#) and [Speaking with Children about the War in Ukraine | Schools of Sanctuary](#), [Advice if you're upset by the news - CBBC Newsround](#), and in the additional resource added to the email.

## **Free School Meal Eligibility**

If you think you may be entitled to free school meals for your child, please use the application form which can be found on the NYCC website - [Free school meals | North Yorkshire County Council](#).

Even if your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 and currently receives universal free school meals, please check your entitlement. Being eligible will mean that the school receives additional funding for your child which will go towards their learning and any additional support they may need.

To qualify for free school meals you must fulfil one of the following criteria:

- Universal Credit, provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods (£616.67 per month);
- Income Support;
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance;
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance;
- Support under part six of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999;
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit;
- Child Tax Credit, provided you are also not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual household gross income that does not exceed £16,190 (as assessed by HMRC);  
or
- Working Tax Credit run-on, paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit. Please note that contributions-based benefits, including contribution-related Jobseekers' Allowance do not entitle you to claim free school meals.

If you need any help or further clarification, please contact the school office.

## **Covid-19 Guidance**

For guidance of what to do if you test positive for Covid 19 or are a contact of someone who tests positive, please visit the link found [HERE](#)

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### **Coop Community Fund**

If you haven't done so already, don't forget to support Danby School in the Co-op Community Fund. If you have a co-op membership card, just log onto your account and select our cause then swipe or scan your membership card every time you shop. [Click here](#) for more information about our cause. Thank you in advance for your support to our children and our school.

### **Jewellery in School**

Please could we remind everyone of the policy regarding jewellery in school.

**'Jewellery is not allowed to be worn for Health and Safety reasons following a directive from North Yorkshire County Council. However a watch and small stud earrings may be worn on a daily basis but must be removed for PE.'**

We have noticed a number of children wearing items such as bracelets and necklaces recently. Not only does this present a health and safety risk but also causes upset if these items get lost.

If you wish your child to have their ears pierced, we recommend that you have this done over the Summer holiday period to allow them to heal before a return to school. **All earrings must now be removed for PE and Swimming lessons, we are not allowed to tape over them as in previous times.**

### **NYCC 'Be Aware' Campaign**

North Yorkshire County Council have asked us to publicise information about their 'Be Aware' campaign. Please click on the link below to access the document.

[Be Aware.docx](#)